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Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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Application No.: 09/299965  
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Group Art Unit: 1733  
Examiner: J. Gallagher

Title: CURABLE MECHANICAL FASTENERS

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted.
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/Supplemental IDS
- iv. ☐ Other

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2. ☐ A Request for Extension of Time is being filed concurrently

3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees or credit any overpayments to: Deposit Account No. 13-3723. A duplicate copy of this letter for fees processing is enclosed.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Other

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Respectfully submitted

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